

# NORTH CAROLINA'S JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT

Through the 2011 passage of North Carolina's Justice Reinvestment Act, state leaders have managed to reduce recidivism,



increase public safety and lower corrections costs through a data-driven approach designed to reinvest savings in strategies that make communities safer.



## WHAT NORTH CAROLINA DID



**Transforming**  
Probation  
Supervision



**Reinventing**  
How Treatment  
is Funded and  
Delivered



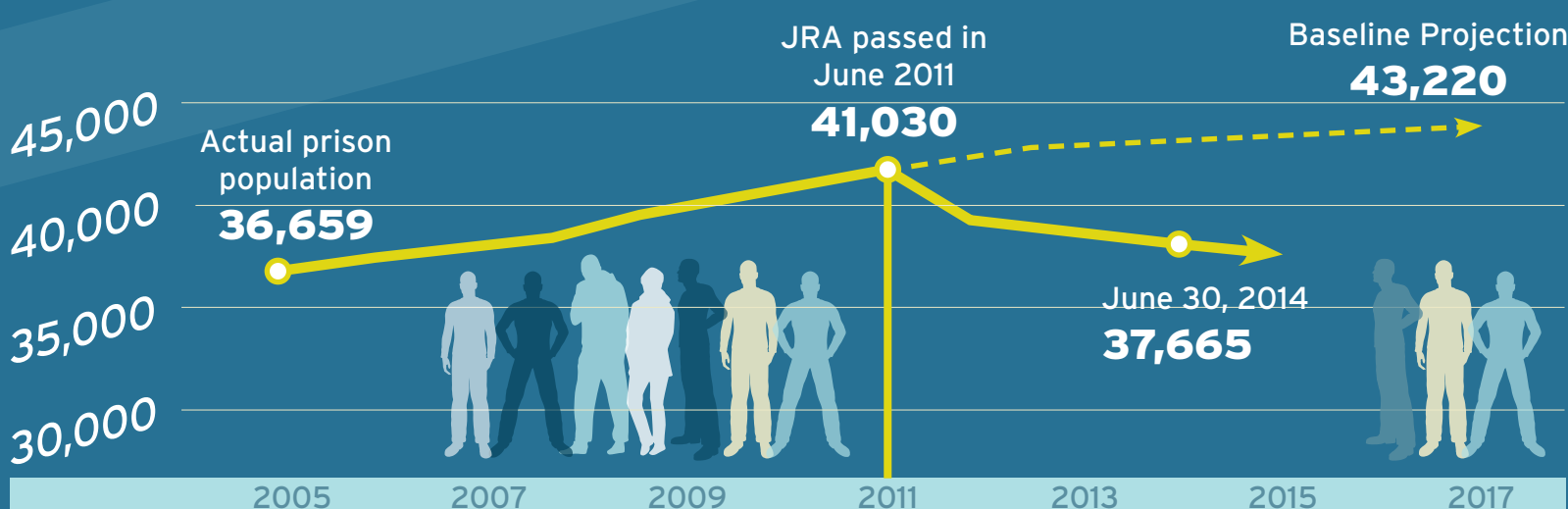
**Reserving**  
Prison Space for  
the Most  
Serious Offenders



**Supervising**  
People Released  
From Prison

## NORTH CAROLINA BY THE NUMBERS

### FEWER PEOPLE IN PRISON



### RECIDIVISM REDUCTION

**14%**

Drop in  
Returns  
to Prison

(2011-2013)

### PROBATION REVOCATIONS

**50%**

Drop in  
Probation  
Revocations

(2011-2014)

### CRIME RATE

Since enacting justice reinvestment, North Carolina's crime rate fell, as did the national rate.

**11%**

Drop in  
Crime Rate

(2011-2013)

## BENEFITS FOR NORTH CAROLINA



An average of **15,000 people** each year were returning to society from prison with no supervision before Justice Reinvestment. Today, people incarcerated on felony crimes are required to be supervised between **9 and 12 months** after serving their time.

**175+**

Additional  
probation  
officers funded  
in 2013 through  
the savings



**\$560 Million\***

Saved in  
North Carolina

\*projected savings and averted costs by FY2017



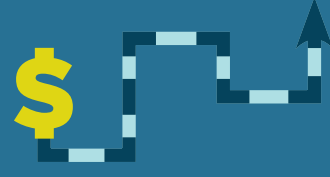
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Correctional  
facilities closed



**\$8 Million+**

Reprioritized to  
improve existing  
community-  
based treatment  
resources



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